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RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS

Sir:

This response is being submitted in response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Non-Provisional Application mailed June 21, 2001, and the Notice of Incomplete Reply mailed September 25, 2001. A copy of both notices are attached.

Enclosed herewith for filing in the above-identified application are copies of the following documents:

- 1) Copy of Notice To File Missing Parts of Non-Provisional Application mailed June 21, 2001 from the USPTO.
- 2) Copy of Notice of Incomplete Reply (Non-Provisional) mailed September 25, 2001 from the USPTO.
- 3) Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84;
- 4) Request for Extension of Time Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a); and
- 5) Check in the amount of \$110.00 (one month extension of time filing fee).

Respectfully submitted,

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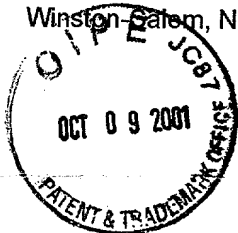
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## NOTICE OF INCOMPLETE REPLY (NONPROVISIONAL)

*Filing Date Granted*

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office has received your reply on 08/09/2001 to the Notice to File Missing Parts (Notice) mailed 06/21/2001 and it has been entered into the nonprovisional application. The reply, however, does not include the following items required in the Notice.

The period of reply remains as set forth in the Notice. You may, however, obtain EXTENSIONS OF TIME under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 (a) accompanied by the appropriate fee (37 CFR 1.17(a)).

A complete reply must be timely filed to prevent ABANDONMENT of the above-identified application.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
  - drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. (5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch);

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the reply.*

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